

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, Leon Schochenmaier graduated from South Dakota State University in Brookings in 1974, with a degree in civil engineering and began working for the state of South Dakota in the Department of Environmental Protection; and,

*Whereas*, Leon has worked for the Department of Transportation (DOT) for the past 19 years as Bid Letting Engineer, Local Government Assistance Engineer, Chief Planning Engineer, Pierre Region Engineer, Planning and Engineering Director and Chief Engineer; and,

*Whereas*, Leon's professionalism has set high standards for all employees of DOT and his broad knowledge and experience allowed him to excel in many different settings; and,

*Whereas*, Leon's eye for detail helped him during his ascent at work and during his many years as a softball umpire in the Pierre area. His ability to make fair, unbiased decisions both on and off the field are the result of his integrity and principles; and,

*Whereas*, Leon's inherent honesty and sincerity in dealing with people have projected a positive image for the Department of Transportation; and,

*Whereas*, Leon has served the people of this state well, always exhibiting the qualities of dedication, honor and integrity and he now chooses to retire:

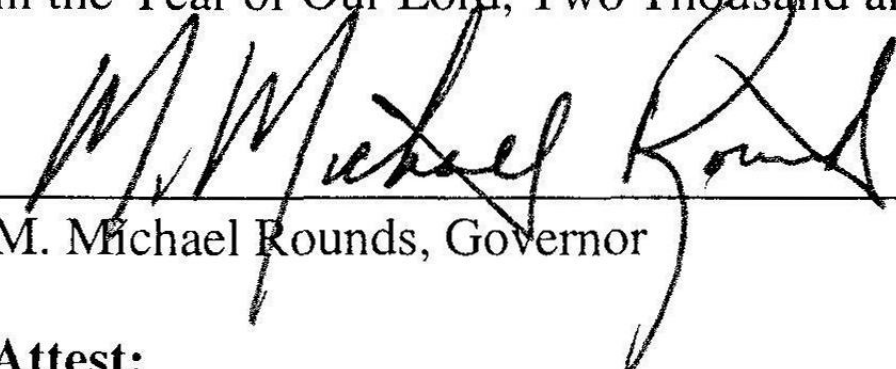
*Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 8, 2006, as

### *LEON SCHOCHENMAIER DAY*


in South Dakota, and I join his co-workers, family and many friends in wishing him a healthy, fulfilling and enjoyable retirement.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Seventh Day of July in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Six.

  
M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

  
Chris Nelson, Secretary of State